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Applicant(s): Darwin Hou  
Title: Palm Office Assistants  
Serial No.: 09/812,705  
Filing Date: 03/19/2001  
Examiner: Unknown  
Group Art Unit: 2621  
Docket No.: 889712-23

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**RESPONSE TO DECISION ON PETITION BY APPLICANT**  
and  
**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Technology Center 2600  
Washington, DC 20231  
Attention: Mr. Kenneth A. Wieder

Dear Sir:

This is to respond to DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL dated July 31, 2001 in which the Examiner denies PETITION TO MAKE APPLICATION SPECIAL UNDER MPEP §708.02 VIII filed by the Applicant July 16, 2001. The reason stated by the Examiner is that the Applicant has failed to include a copy of each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter encompassed by the claims.

The Applicant respectfully submits that a copy of each reference deemed most closely related to the subject matter encompassed by the claims was included at the time the above PETITION was filed. A copy of the mailing postcard is enclosed herewith to support the submission.

In any case, the Applicant resubmits the following:

1. a copy of FORM PTO-1449; and
2. a copy of each of the references listed in FORM PTO-1449.

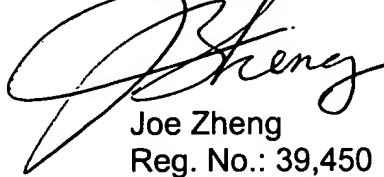
According to the DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL, the submission herewith has overcome item (d) on which the Examiner relied upon to deny the PETITION. Hence the Applicant believes that the PETITION shall be granted. Please telephone the undersigned at (408)777-8873, if there are any questions.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to "Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Attention: Petition Special, Washington, DC 20231", on <sup>8/30</sup> July, 2001.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Joe Zheng

Respectfully submitted;

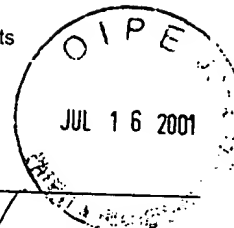
  
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Mailed on July 12, 2001 signed Joe Zheng (Joe Zheng)

This is to acknowledge the receipt of the following papers:

Petition to make application special under MPEP §708.02 VIII;  
Statement of Pre-examination Search and Discussion of  
References Deemed Most Closely Related to  
Subject Matter Encompassed by the Claims

Form PTO 1494 and 3 pages of Preliminary Amendment  
A Check for \$ 130.00 for petition fee; and  
A copy of references A - D listed in Form PTO 1494

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